

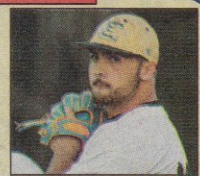
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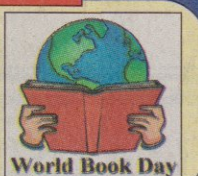
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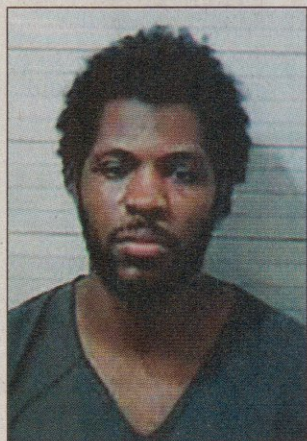
Coffee County deputies arrest one for burglary following home invasion with shooting incident

The Coffee County Sheriff's Office responded Monday, April 19, at approximately 2:30 p.m., to the 28000 block of Alabama Highway 167, in Jack, Ala., in reference to a report of a home invasion.

Upon arrival on scene, Coffee County Chief Deputy R.W. Whitworth said deputies learned that a male subject - identified as Devonta Cottrell, age 28, of Troy, Ala. - had allegedly entered the home uninvited and hid in a closet.

Chief Whitworth said sometime later a male subject, Albert Baker, age 54, and his girlfriend, Miriam Torres, age 36, returned to their residence. Baker opened the closet door and Cottrell exited the closet, reportedly hitting Baker with an unknown object.

"Mr. Baker and Mr. Cottrell were in an altercation and Mr. Baker advised his girlfriend, Miriam Torres, to get the gun," Chief Whitworth said. "She shot Mr.

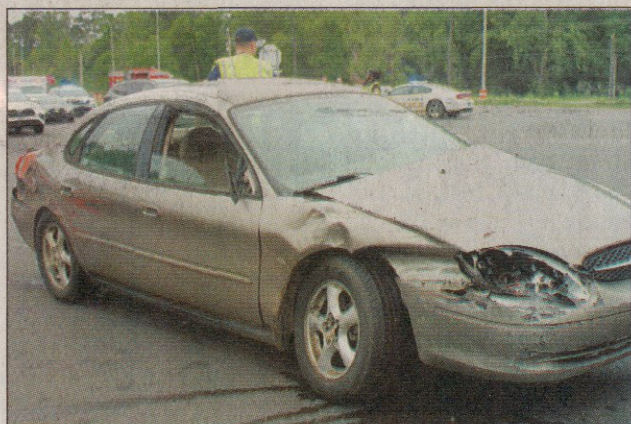


Devonta Cottrell

Cottrell in the left leg."

He said Cottrell then fled from the residence into a wooded area.

After their arrival, law enforcement officers began a search for Cottrell, and a K9 unit was deployed. Approximately four hours later, Whitworth said Cottrell was located and taken into custody. He was charged with burglary - first degree and remained in the Coffee County Jail as of press time this week.



TWO-VEHICLE COLLISION AT BUSY INTERSECTION...The intersection of Alabama Highway 87 and U.S. Highway 84 was the scene of a two-vehicle wreck during "after work" rush hour traffic last Tuesday, April 13th. The wreck was reported to Elba Police dispatch at 5:13 p.m. Fortunately, there were no injuries reported as a result of this wreck. Officials on scene said it appeared to be another case of one vehicle failing to stop at the all-way stop intersection, thus crashing into the second vehicle. The photo above shows one of the vehicles involved in the crash. The second vehicle was a small SUV.

News Brief

James Edward Lee, the man charged in the January murder of Shaquetha Sharay Tyson in Elba was in court last week. He reportedly waived his preliminary hearing, and his cases have been forwarded to the action of the Grand Jury at a later date.

Southeast Alabama Community Band performs concert in Elba

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Southeast Alabama Community Band performed an hour-long concert Sunday afternoon, April 18, on the square in downtown Elba.

The historic Coffee County Courthouse was the backdrop for the band during the outdoor concert. A crowd of 75-plus enjoyed the hour of concert music.

Now in its 21st season, the Southeast Alabama Community Band is conducted by brothers, Raymond Smith and John W. Smith. Each are icons in the music industry with longtime careers with Troy University.

Of local interest, the Southeast Alabama Community Band is in its 21st season, and Elba Mayor Tom Maddox has been a member of the band for all 21 years. He is the first-chair saxophone player for the band.

Maddox was presented Sunday with a "Certificate of Appreciation" from the Southeast Alabama Community Band for his longtime dedication to the



Under the direction of conductor Raymond Smith, the Southeast Alabama Community Band is shown performing Sunday afternoon, April 18, in Elba. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic this was only one of a couple of performances the band was able to perform this season, its 21st season.

program. He also was presented a conductor's wand and asked to conduct the band for a song.

Enterprise Mayor Bill Cooper, also a member of the Southeast Alabama Community Band, presented the conductor's wand to Maddox. Cooper plays

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Multiple injuries reported in wreck

A scary accident happened Saturday, April 17, at approximately 12:20 p.m., at the intersection of U.S. Highway 84 and Smith Avenue [Hwy. 125] in Elba.

Two vehicles collided in the intersection - a sedan car [pictured above] and a small SUV [pictured right]. Reportedly, the collision sent the SUV off the roadway and down a deep embankment adjacent to Washington Avenue.

Upon arrival on scene, emergency personnel found entrapment of an occupant in the SUV, and one person had been ejected from the sedan.

Extrication equipment was utilized by the Elba Volunteer Fire Department to free the trapped person, the driver of the SUV, while Enterprise Rescue personnel attended to the injured.

Survival Flight 15 was called on to transport one critically injured person, and Haynes LifeFlight 4 transported another seriously injured victim.

According to Elba FD, the accident presented a total of eight patients, including the critically and seriously injured. As of press time, no further info had been made available on the status of the injured persons.

Reportedly, both vehicles appeared to be from either out-of-county or out-of-state.

The accident was investigated by Elba Police.



When a haircut is more than just a haircut!

Elba teacher/coach donates hair to Locks of Love

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Two years and two months ago Elba teacher/coach Al Gilmore began a journey that ended Monday evening with the cut of a pair of scissors.

In February 2019, Gilmore began growing his hair out with the intent to eventually donate his hair to Locks of Love, a non-profit organization with the mission "to return a sense of self, confidence and normalcy to children suffering from hair loss by utilizing donated ponytails to provide the highest quality hair prosthetics to financially disadvantaged children free of charge."

This would actually be the second time that Gilmore had let his hair grow long



Elba High teacher/coach Al Gilmore prepares to have his hair cut for the first time in over two years. Gilmore grew his hair to the right length to be able to donate it to Locks of Love. Denise Sauls got the privilege of providing the cut.

with such an intent. The first time, he donated to Pantene Beautiful Lengths. That donation went to a cancer patient, providing a free real-hair wig for the recipient.

Gilmore's donation to Pantene was driven by his desire to something in memory of his own mom after she lost her battle with cancer. Then, in 2019, he decided he would do it again, except this time, the receiving organization would be Locks of Love.

"I figured I had one more shot at growing my hair long enough to donate it," Gilmore said.

For him, it is a personal honor to be able to grow his hair and make the donation.

Throughout the process, Gilmore has been quick to point out that he did not really want any attention, but as the Elba community began to realize the 'what and why' of Gilmore's lengthening locks, the whole process sort of blossomed into a rally of support for Gilmore.

Eventually, the hair grew long enough that Gilmore began wearing it in a bun on the back of his head, and the jokes ensued. Yet, his support system remained strong.

Locks of Love requires the donated hair for its program to be at least 10 inches

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Area Happenings

PUBLIC NOTICE - ELBA CITY COUNCIL

The Elba City Council will hold its regularly scheduled meeting Monday, April 26, at 5:30 p.m. at Elba City Hall. Reminder - to be placed on the agenda, call Sally Bane, Elba City Clerk, at (334) 897-2333.

PUBLIC NOTICE - ELBA WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD

The Elba Water & Electric Board will hold its regularly scheduled meeting Monday, April 26, immediately after the Elba City Council meeting which starts at 5:30 p.m. at Elba City Hall. Reminder - to be placed on the agenda, call Sally Bane at (334) 897-2333.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"It's not so much what we have in this life that matters. It's what we do with what we have." - Fred Rogers

COVID shots . . . many conservatives are not getting the shots. We wonder if it is vaccine skepticism by those not getting the shots or do they think it is being loyal to Donald Trump, who has had lots of negatives things to say about the virus, its seriousness, etc. What they need to remember though is that in spite of his words, the man had the virus and later GOT THE SHOTS himself. Then we wonder if some who share our disliking the idea of sticking a needle in our arm are using Donald Trump as an excuse for avoiding the shots. We saw one internet post that suggested some Americans were placing "liberty over lives", meaning they are ignoring the dangers of COVID to assert their 'rights' to decide for themselves.

The Alabama Senate on Thursday of last week backed legislation to make it a crime for local police officers to enforce any new federal gun restrictions, part of a wave of GOP nullification proposals to try to resist any new gun control measures. Senators voted 21-5 for the bill by Republican Sen. Gerald Allen of Tuscaloosa. It now moves to the Alabama House of Representatives. Admitting that we are not legal experts, we still question how they think an Alabama law will upstage any federal law? Oh, you share our thoughts that the politicians are grandstanding, knowing that any such law will be overturned by the courts!

U S Treasury Department has created an office to "over-see" virus relief funding. Claims are that this will 'speed up' the funding distribution. HA . . . it just generates another step in the approval chain! Of course this is typical of government. We saw this with FEMA when their operations were combined with the Homeland Security operations. While working with FEMA following one of Elba's floods, we developed a working system of getting to the right people to approve things. Then they were combined and one person would assure us he or she had the authority to do a certain thing but then the other shoe would fall and that approval authority was just to send the file to another office described as being approved by "my boss."

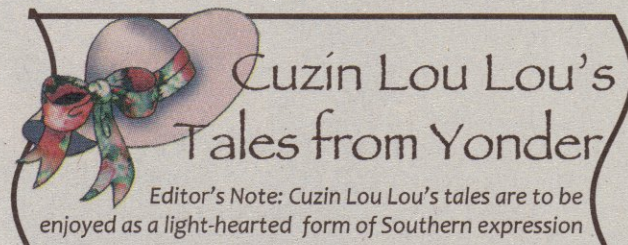
Massive (well organized) negative public reaction to the Alabama plan to lease three new prisons from a private builder has caused at least two underwriters of the planned bond issue for a couple of the new facilities to withdraw their support. What this will mean for the planned project remains to be seen. Governor Ivey publicly declares the project will continue moving forward. Opponent claims vary but include 'the state can build them cheaper', 'most important is more, and/or better trained guards', 'outdated laws', corruption within the prison system, or combinations of several of the ideas.

Alabama has the fourth best drop in unemployment in the nation at 3.4%, down from 6.2%. It was 8.1 on January 2020. New York state has 8.5% unemployment right now and Hawaii is a bit higher at 8.6%. Those two states top the charts and record a higher unemployment rate than they did a year ago. The national average was 6% in March of this year.

Be Safe - wash your hands . . . again; social distance when possible, wear your masks and get the shots!!



DON'T DROP IT ON ELBA! The City of Elba will participate in Alabama's Spring Clean Up Month events - promoted by Alabama PALS [People Against A Littered State] by hosting the annual Don't Drop It On Elba Spring Clean-Up Day this Saturday, April 23, from 8 - 11 a.m. The event is being co-sponsored by the City of Elba, Elba Chamber of Commerce and Elba Church of Christ. Those interested in helping to "keep Elba clean" should arrive at TigerTown Park before 8 a.m. Saturday morning to receive trash pickup assignments. Then, all participants will return to TigerTown Park at 11 a.m. where the Elba Church of Christ will feed the group a hot dog lunch. Above, Elba Church of Christ minister Philip Box, Elba Mayor Tom Maddox, and Elba Chamber director Sandy Bynum promote the upcoming event.



Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou discovered just how quickly one can get distracted and 'forget' to stop at some of the new stop signs in her beloved Yonder last weekend. Fortunately, the 'ole brain kicked in just in time for Lou Lou to apply the brake and make said stop, but it was a close call!

Afterwards, Lou Lou continued to think about her near mistake, and she thought it might be worthy of mentioning once again to all her Yonder friends to pay close attention when traveling around town. There are several traffic changes, and it is easy to mess up if one is not completely focused on the duty of driving.

That was the case for Lou Lou last weekend when she nearly missed stopping at the stop sign. She was on her way to cover a local event when her own thoughts became a distraction. At this particular intersection, the stop sign comes several feet before the actual spot where cars

need to sit still for a few seconds before moving on down the road. Distracted Lou Lou passed the stop sign and was just about to head straight through the intersection when it hit her, "You've got to STOP!"

She managed to pull her thoughts together, apply the brake, and make the appropriate stop. Whew!

You can bet your last dollar that Lou Lou has been paying better attention ever since. She also thanks goodness that she was able to make the stop without any problem or mishap because Sister would have never let her live that one down!

Long story, short...please pay attention when traveling through intersections. Not everyone has been as lucky as Lou Lou at some of the new intersections here in Yonder lately. There have been far too many accidents due to someone not stopping at a posted stop sign.

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, April 13, 2021, and Monday, April 19, 2021, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, April 13 - Theft of property reported at 1165 Pine Circle (7:29 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1707 Highland Dr (10:39 a.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 200 Buford St (11:19 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at U.S. Hwy 84 and Hwy 87 intersection (5:13 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at Simmons/Adkinson (6:46 p.m.); Fight reported at 615 Jackson Ave (8:11 p.m.); Harassment reported at 1272 Ann St (9:25 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at Elba boat ramp (10:58 p.m.). There were four traffic stops recorded on this date resulting in two citations, one verbal warning, and one unfounded.

Wednesday, April 14 - Animal complaint reported at 1169 Elm Ave (11:13 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 130 Factory Ave (12:39 p.m.); Noise complaint reported at 702 Newton St (11:06 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on Reese Ave (11:53 p.m.). There were 10 traffic stops recorded on this date resulting in six citations, two verbal warnings, and two written warnings.

Thursday, April 15 - Animal complaint reported on Moore Ave (8:29 a.m.); Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle reported at 1005 Neil Grantham Dr (8:43 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 897 Cedar Lane Dr (3:31 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1006 Sunset Blvd (7:07 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 120 Old Samson Rd (11:24 p.m.). There were three traffic stops recorded on this date resulting in two citations, and one arrest.

Friday, April 16 - Suspicious vehicle reported on Reese Ave (12:44 a.m.); Reckless driver reported at 1150 Claxton Ave N (6:15 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 870 Cedar Lane Dr (12:35 p.m.); Noise complaint reported on Jones St (2:46 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 838 Troy Hwy (3:01 p.m.); Animal complaint reported on

Taylor Mill Rd (3:29 p.m.); Man with a gun reported on Martin Luther King Dr (3:55 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 1115 Guyton St (4:17 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 595 Collier Circle (5:48 p.m.). There were 18 traffic stops recorded on this date resulting in 10 citations, seven written warnings, and one verbal warning.

Saturday, April 17 - Runaway juvenile reported from 138 Stroud Ave (12:27 a.m.); Fight reported at 138 Stroud Ave (1:12 a.m.); Runaway juvenile reported at 138 Stroud Ave (1:40 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 706 Putnam St (4:42 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at intersection of Hwy 125 and Hwy 84 (12:21 p.m.); Gunshot victim reported at 1698 Hickman Ave (5:56 p.m.); Report of shots fired at 154 Yelverton Ave (11:23 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (11:35 p.m.). There were 14 traffic stops recorded on this date resulting in 10 citations, and four written warnings.

Sunday, April 18 - Theft of property reported at 804 Hwy 203 (10:36 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1649 Boswell St (12:55 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Hickman Ave (3:40 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 1316 Forest Lake Dr (3:58 p.m.); Intoxicated driver reported at 3 Hwy 84 Access Rd (4:43 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 638 Claxton Ave - an arrest was made (9:04 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Old Samson Rd (10:17 p.m.). There were nine traffic stops recorded on this date resulting in seven citations, one arrest, and one verbal warning.

Monday, April 19 - Suspicious person reported at 144 Hwy 203 (12:09 a.m.); Theft of property reported at 733 West St (9:05 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 658 Thomas St (2:47 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Cedar Lane Dr (3:20 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at 992 Hwy 203 - an arrest was made (3:24 p.m.). There were nine traffic stops on this date resulting in six citations, two written warnings, and one arrest.

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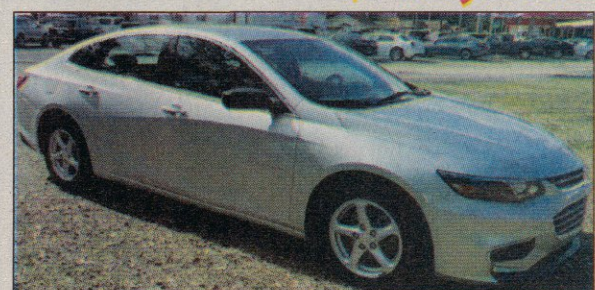
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Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at <www.elba-clipper.com>

EPIFANIO HERNANDEZ

Mr. Epifanio Hernandez, age 74, of Enterprise, Ala., died recently at Flowers Hospital. Memorial services were held Saturday, April 17, 2021, at Iglesia Hosanna with Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

NANCY MARY PIPKINS

Ms. Nancy Mary Pipkins died April 10, 2021. Graveside services were held Tuesday, April 13, 2021, at Haw Hill Assembly of God with Coleman Funeral Home and Crematory of Elba directing.

Nancy Mary Pipkins was born on August 27, 1945 to the late Daniel R. and

Eula Taylor Pipkins. She was a lifelong member of Haw Hill Assembly of God where she served as secretary for over 40 years.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, Daniel and Eula Taylor Pipkins; brothers, James Pipkins and John Pipkins; sisters, Pauline Hallford, Irene Holder and Doris Hughes; one niece, Audrey Lehnerz; nephews, Junior Sawyer and Pete Walls.

Survivors include her adopted daughter: Connie (Michael) Banks; grandchildren: Miguel and Mie'Nundra Banks; nieces: Olene Wilson, Martha Taylor, Debra Knighten, Elisa Lindsey, Joretta Stubbs, Pat Chapman, Gale Hughes Jordan, Beverly Grantham and Deborah Pipkins; nephews: Hayward Pipkins, Noah Dean Holder, Dale Phillips and David Pipkins; sister-in-law: Shelia Pipkins; a host of other nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends,

including: Sharon Leach, Frances Flowers, James Moultry, Sue Tindol and Sylvialeen House.

TIMOTHY SCOTT

Mr. Timothy Scott, age 60, of Enterprise, Ala., died recently at his residence.

Memorial services were held Saturday, April 17, 2021, at Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise with Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

Timothy Scott was born March 5, 1961 to the late Lorene and Author Lee Scott. He attended Mixon Elementary school in Ozark, Ala., and Enterprise High School.

Timothy was preceded in death by his mother Lorene and father Author Lee Scott.

Survivors include two daughters: Yolanda (Shadrack) Blackmon, and

Timekia Scott; and sisters: Brenda Lynndell (Walter James) and Lyna.

JARED ENGLISH

Mr. Jared English, age 32, a native of Elba, Ala., died recently as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Funeral arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home of Elba.

CARD OF THANKS

GRANTHAM FAMILY

The Family of Ivey Grantham wish to sincerely thank relatives, friends, and neighbors for the words of comfort, cards, flowers, and support during our sad loss of our dear mother.

Your kindness will be remembered always.

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FLOWERS FAMILY

The Family of the late Mary Hardy Flowers wish to express our appreciation to all those that offered a kind word, visit, prayer, food, flowers or any support during the loss of our sweet mother. Special "thank you" to First Choice Hospice of Elba. You all were wonderful. May God bless each of you.

Her children, Janet, Jeff, and Vickie

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HERE WE GO!! After getting three 10-inch braids ready to cut, Denise Sauls lifts up her scissors and prepares to cut off the first braid of Al Gilmore's hair.

HAIR

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in length and be bundled in a ponytail or braid.

Two years and two months after Gilmore began his journey, he reached his goal of being able to provide a donation to Locks of Love.

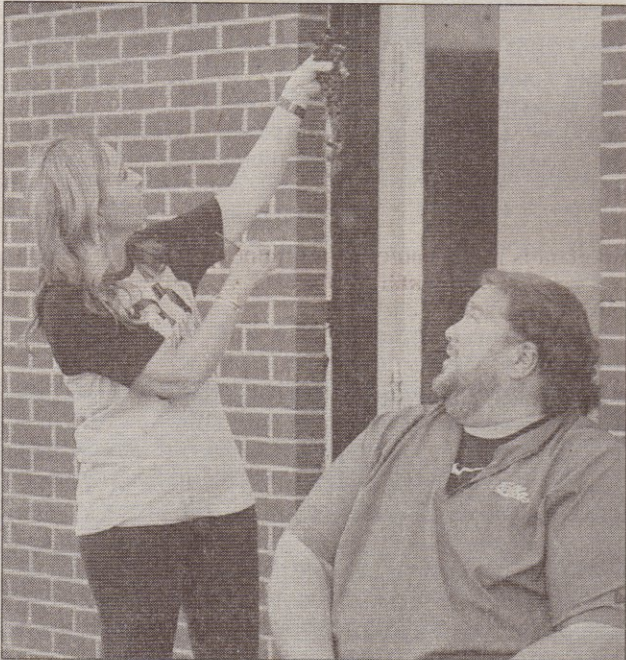
A popular teacher/coach at Elba High School, the plan was formulated for Gilmore to get his long-awaited haircut at the conclusion of the Elba High varsity boys baseball team's season finale game Monday evening, April 19, at the baseball field on the Elba High School campus.

Denise Sauls, a longtime cosmetologist and current cosmetology instructor at LBW Community College, got the privilege of braiding Gilmore's hair into

three 10-inch braids and then cutting them off with her scissors. She also is an Elba High alum and parent of current student-athlete Collin Sauls.

The haircut was witnessed and cheered on from the baseball players, parents, friends, colleagues, but most especially, from Gilmore's wife, Jenny.

Afterwards, Gilmore said he only hopes the interest his experience has garnered will lead to more people considering growing their hair and donating it to such worthy causes as Locks of Love. "This is something that is personal and means a lot to me," Gilmore said. "I can only hope it will encourage others."



Denise Sauls shows off the 30-inches of hair she cut from Al Gilmore's head Monday evening at the baseball field. Gilmore is donating the hair to Locks of Love.

Elba Public Library

needs volunteers!



We are in the middle of planning our Summer Learning Program at the library. Volunteers are much needed!

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We will have fun things happening this summer!!

Arnold receives WoodmenLife scholarship

A number of local high school graduates were recently awarded WoodmenLife Focus Forward Scholarships®. The students, who are all WoodmenLife members, submitted applications highlighting their high school grades, activities and volunteerism, as well as an essay on patriotism.

This year's \$500 WoodmenLife Focus Forward Scholarship recipient is Heidi Arynlin Arnold. Heidi is a 2021 gradu-



ate of Zion Chapel High School. She is the daughter of Joey and Catrina Arnold of Jack, Ala. Heidi plans to attend LBW Community College and pursue a degree in cosmetology.

"These youth embody all that WoodmenLife stands for," said WoodmenLife Representative Linda Westbrook. "We are honored to provide these scholarships to help our deserving young members further their education and realize their dreams."

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1) **The Burial Plot.** The first cost is the burial plot itself. The location of the cemetery can have a large impact on the cost, such as whether the cemetery is in an urban or rural region. The location of the plot itself in the cemetery can also impact the cost. Typical costs for a burial plot are: Burial plot in a public cemetery - \$200 to \$2,000; Burial plot in a private cemetery - \$2,000 to \$5,000; Burial plot for cremated remains in a public cemetery - \$350 to \$500; Burial plot for cremated remains in a private cemetery - \$1,000 - \$2,500.

2) **The Grave Marker.** A grave marker will be used to mark the location of the grave within the cemetery. Costs vary widely on grave markers depending on the type of material used and how elaborate the design. For a typical granite marker, costs average about \$300 to \$800. An upright monument can cost anywhere from \$1,000 - \$2,000. Larger monuments such as mausoleums can cost tens of thousands of dollars.

3) **The Grave Liner or Burial Vault.** Some cemeteries may require purchase of a grave liner or burial vault. These are outer burial containers, typically made of concrete that the casket or urn is placed before it goes in the ground. Grave liners and burial vaults protect the casket from decay. The ground around the casket/urn will also shift over time and the concrete barrier ensures the cemetery grounds will remain level. Average cost is about \$400 - \$5,000 depending on choice.

4) **Interment Fees.** These are all the fees associated with opening and closing the grave. The grave, niche or mausoleum must be opened and then closed back up. For in-ground burial, this is the cost to dig the hole and replace the sod. There is also legal paperwork to be completed for all this to happen. These costs can vary between \$350 to \$3,000.

5) **Burial Permit.** In some locations, a burial permit is required. This is only a small fee, usually around \$20. Check with your funeral director to find out if a burial permit is required.

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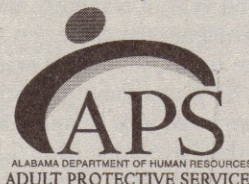
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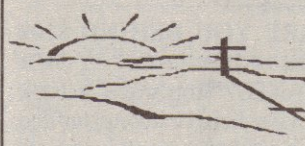


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This is a temporary position with the potential of becoming full-time.

Job Summary: Assist the water operators as instructed by the Water Supervisor to ensure timely completion of the job.

Qualifications:

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- Valid Alabama Driver's License at the time of employment with a clear MVR
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- Ability to work as part of a team
- Able to work in adverse weather conditions

Benefits: At this time, this is a temporary position that does not have benefits.

Salary: Based on experience and qualifications.

Applications are available at Elba City Hall, 200 Buford Street, Elba, AL or you may download an application at www.elbaalabama.net/job-opportunities. All applications should be submitted to Elba City Hall or may be emailed to info@elbaal.gov with the subject line "WATER DEPARTMENT LABORER."

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ELBA TEACHER NAMED "CLASS ACT"...Elba High School science teacher Brian Weeks recently was recognized as the recipient of the "Class Act" award by WSFA News in Montgomery, Ala. Teachers selected as recipients of the award are nominated by their peers, students and community. Weeks is in his 32nd year of teaching, and he said he strives to treat all his students the same, no matter their background. He said he does try to make science fun for his students, and while he wants them to learn all about science, he also want them to be able to apply what they have learned from him to their everyday life. "I love this school," Weeks said in regards to Elba High School. Above, Weeks is shown being interviewed for the Class Act spot on WSFA News, which aired earlier this week.

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THAT'S A BIG CATCH! Cole Shehee caught this 'big boy' bass Sunday, April 18, while fishing at a private pond with a friend. In true sportsmanship, Cole threw him back after a few photos were snapped [and before he could be weighed], but estimates were the bass would have weighed over 8 lbs had a scale been available at the time of the catch. Cole is the son of Kelly and Kayron Shehee of Elba.

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COUNTY OF COFFEE
PROBATE COURT
(Elba Division)

CASE NO. PC 2021-026

IN RE: THE ESTATE
OF PAUL LUCIUS
ENGLISH, DECEASED

NOTICE OF
APPOINTMENT
TO BE PUBLISHED
BY PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Jeffrey Hughes English, Personal Representative, on the 30th day of March, 2021, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate of Coffee County (Elba Division), Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Phil D. Mitchell
Phil D. Mitchell
Attorney for Personal Representative
Harris, Caddell & Shanks, P.C.
Post Office Box 2688
Decatur, Alabama 35602-2688
(256) 340-8037
Fax (256) 340-8039
pmitchell@harriscaddell.com
4/8,15&22-pd

IN THE PROBATE COURT
OF COFFEE COUNTY,
ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF
BENJAMIN HAYES
CARPENTER,
Deceased.

CASE NO: PC 2021-023

NOTICE OF
PUBLICATION

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to Peggy Carpenter on the 25th day of March, 2021 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this 25th day of March 2021.

Peggy Carpenter
Personal Representative
4/8,15&22-pd

IN THE MATTER OF
DOROTHY DANIELS,
Deceased.

IN THE PROBATE
COURT OF
COFFEE COUNTY,
ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION
CASE NO: PC 2021 - 029

NOTICE OF
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Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 13th day of April 2021 by the Honorable Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 13th day of April 2021.
/s/ JIM DANIELS
/s/ JUDY D. RHODES
Personal Representatives
4/22,29&5/6-pd.

IN THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF COFFEE
COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO: CV-2021-000002

THOMAS ELSBERND
AND
LINDA ELSBERND,
PLAINTIFFS,
VS.
DONNA C. CROOKS
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DEFENDANTS.

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4/22,29,5/6&13-pd.

CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Kit Johnson, Pastor

First Baptist Church of Elba, 606 Simmons Street

Love: The Identifiable Attribute of a Christian

To make a long story short, I found myself researching the meaning behind the white collar worn by clergy among various denominations. The collar was invented in 1865 by a Presbyterian minister in Scotland. In efforts to separate themselves from the secular world, the "clergy collar" became an easily identifiable addition to one's attire that would set clergy apart. Evidence dating back to 1215 (that I could easily access) can be found requiring Christian clergy to wear distinctive dress of one form or the other specifically the cassock in this case which resembles a tunic. Perhaps you have heard of one of the following: apostolnik, ferraiolo, greca, or a skufia. No? Neither had I, but I recognized the images of each one, some from various friends I have in the ministry and others from movies. I understand the importance of standing out. Not as being "holier than thou", but to make oneself available to individuals that need a minister. Army chaplains wear a cross or other insignia to reflect their faith and position, and police officers wear a badge. I have no issue with identifiable marking/clothing, but I do not believe that ministers should be the only Christians who stand out.

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples if you love one another." John 13:25

Have you ever been recognized by the faith you live out? Has anyone at work ever asked you to pray for them, but you aren't sure why they asked you over another? Has anyone ever been speechless because of your act of kindness, display of unnatural humility, or forgiveness? Maybe someone has asked you, "Why are you doing this for me?" Jesus commands us to love one another and implies that people will notice when we do. He says we are the "light of the world" according to Matthew 5:14. When we fail to demonstrate our love for one another through word or deed it is like hiding the light of Christ under a "basket". We need to worry less about the beauty of the lamp stand (our appearance) and more about the brightness of our bulb (our relationship with Christ). The more we love Him the more we love others.

"Being an extravert isn't essential to evangelism... obedience and love are." Rebecca Pippert

Our families, this community, and all the world need more than select clergy standing out for Christ. It is time we all let our "light shine before men so they see our good works and give glory to your (our) Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

It's just a thought. Do others see Christ in how you love?

*** Pastor Kit Johnson of First Baptist Church of Elba is the author of the Pastor's Corner column this month. He will share again with us next week. In May, the author of the column will be Rev. Keith Ellison of Harris Temple Church of God In Christ.*

New Hope Senior Center seeking new clients to serve

The New Hope Senior Citizens Center is taking applications for new clients. To participate in the center's programs, senior citizens must be 60 years of age or older. For additional information, contact New Hope Senior Center director Connie Banks at (334) 735-5433.

Victoria Baptist Church planning Homecoming service for May 2nd

Victoria Baptist Church announces its Homecoming celebration set for Sunday, May 2, 2021.

Worship begins at 10:30 a.m. with former pastor Reverend Larry Doster delivering the message. There will be worship, special music and a history of the church.

Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church plans Food Drive Give-Away for Sunday, May 16th

Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 720 East Davis Street, Elba, Ala., will host a Food Drive Give-Away on Sunday, May 16, immediately following the morning service.

All are invited to join the Greater New Zion Church family as it feeds others during the Food Drive Give-Away. Attendance during the service is not mandatory to receive the food; however, the church members would love for all to join them to worship.

Additionally, are invited any Sunday. Stop in and register with a member of the Greeters Ministry for a complimentary gift bag and visitor's packet.

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Round and About With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: God the Rock of Salvation. Psalm 70: 1-24

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Rose Mary Edwards, Cleva M. Davis, Marcus Kelley, Sharon Fitch, Karyn Kelley, Shirley Coleman, Min. Robert Edwards, Harold Williams, Family of the late Tommy Rayborn

April Birthdays / Anniversary

John Nelson 4/9
Catherine Waters 4/9 (in memory)
Rebecca W. Daniels 4/9
Marcus D. Kelley 4/10
Marlar R. Rideaux 4/10
Donald Smith 4/10
Jala Q. Smith 4/11
Caleb Martin 4/11
Rolanda Jones-Robinson 4/11
Michael Manning 4/12
Valerie Crawford 4/12
Kimberly Cooks Ruffin 4/13

A Man's Tears

The Persian Gulf War of 1991 was carried off with such finesse that it seemed to be the product of cold, calculated military planning devoid of any humane considerations. However, President George Bush later revealed that it was not so. With uncharacteristic lack of guile for a politician, Bush said that he had broken into tears while praying the night before giving the command to go to war. In speaking of the event, tears again came to his eyes. Later, when asked by reporters about the matter, he told of how he had been torn by the decision that had the potential to bring

death in battle to thousands of enemies and allies alike. And, once again, his eyes grew moist.

For many generations in Western culture, masculine tears have been thought of as a sign of weakness. Tears aren't part of the image of a "real man." But, David was not ashamed to grieve publicly over the death of his beloved friend, Jonathan. Stern resolve in the face of danger may be a sign of manliness, but so are tears for the untimely end of a good person's life.

- C.R.B.

Question / Answer Section Q/A for the Week of 4/15/21

Q: What honor did James and John ask Jesus to give them?

A: They said to Him, "Grant us that we may sit, one on your right hand and the other on your left, in your glory." Mark 10: 37

Q: When Jesus visited His hometown, what caused Him to marvel?

A: Jesus marveled because of their unbelief. Then he went about the villages in a circuit teaching. Mark 6: 6

Remember

If in doubt, don't do it

Questions for the Week of 4/22/2021

True or False

Q: According to David, the trees sing at the presence of the Lord.

Q: Davis sought to build an altar on Nathan's threshing floor.

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

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Rocky Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.
Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service... 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Harry Driggers, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

BETHLE AM CHURCH
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.
Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Remona Smith, Pastor
Church Service... 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Diana White, Pastor
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship... 9:45 a.m.
Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities)... 6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training... 5:00 p.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

EAON BAPTIST CHURCH
Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Phillip Cox, Minister
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 9:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adeock, Pastor
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH
Overseers - Billy Berry
Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

GREATHER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Jeremie Turner, Sr. Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 8:45 a.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

HERRON BAPT. CHURCH
Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting... 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC
Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Sermon... 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service... 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH
Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH
Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service... 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Dewey Enfinger, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting... 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Loreal Flowers, Minister
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Julian Mitchell, Pastor
1st - 4th Sun. Morn.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON
Terry McCrummen, Pastor
1st - 4th Sun. Morn.
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service... 7:00 p.m.

PRATHE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER
Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
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2nd & 4th Sundays

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James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
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Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
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SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
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Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
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Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

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Max Reed, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
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C.P. Davis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service... 6:00 p.m.

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Donald Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
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Wed. Night Service... 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Shayne Allen, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
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VICTORY TABERNACLE
Ruby Lawson, Pastor
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Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

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Ken Wilson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
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Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
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Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Kenneth Hagler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
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Donnie Marler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Cary Maulden, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Lawson is counting down the days as summer vacation draws near. He has had to work a little harder than usual this year as a fourth grader, but has survived so far and is growing up way to fast. Wow, I just realized he only has two more years in elementary school!

For what it is worth....

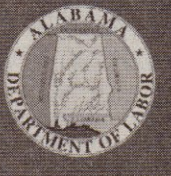
*** *The Elba Tigers had nothing to play* for except pride last week in the closing week of the baseball season, but as I expected, the Tigers rose to the occasion and closed the season with three straight wins to go out with a bang. Elba had two really good seniors in John Martin Wilson and Connor Burrows and both will be missed. However, they have the bulk of the team back next season and with a little help from the younger players should be ready to make a real run at the playoffs. The late-season surge should help make the team even more determined when it gets back on the field.

*** *The Elba Lady Tigers had only one game* last week and dropped an area contest to G.W. Long, but is still a very dangerous team in the 2A ranks and I am sure the girls are looking forward to the upcoming area tournament. While there is no doubt G.W. Long and Arton are heavy favorites to move on to Gulf Shores, I have a feeling the Lady Tigers still have a surprise up their sleeves and will make a run that just may lead to the beach, and the South region. Don't forget who told you!

*** *The high school baseball playoffs get started* this week with Kinston and Brantley hosting opening round series, and New Brockton hitting the road. Both packs of Bulldogs should be favorites to survive the opening round, while the Gamecocks are better than most people know and definitely have a shot at pulling off an upset on the road. Over on the softball field, top-ranked Brantley appears to be getting better and better as the season draws to a close, while Kinston is filled with confidence, New Brockton fears no one, and Zion Chapel is no pushover. The area tournaments begin on April 30, and my guess is it will be an exciting week.

*** *The AHSAA released its guidelines* for schools interested in taking part in girl's flag football last week and some of the rules and regulations were quite interesting. Each team will have seven players on the field, while there is no limit on roster size, and each team will be allowed only three coaches – a head coach, an assistant coach and a strength and conditioning coach. The game will have between two and four officials and will be played on a field 80-yards in length and 40-yards wide. Footballs will be junior size, with uniforms to include jerseys and pants with no pockets, and not the same color as the flags, with the season to be played in the fall with a maximum of 14 regular season games on a minimum of eight days. A sample budget put the cost of starting a team at approximately \$2,500, not including coaching supplements, and explained that while the NFL and the Atlanta Falcons are sponsoring the new sport, the two groups will make a monetary donation to the AHSAA, which will then divide the funds to all the schools taking part. I see a lot of interest in the new sport, and also a lot of growing pains.

*** *The NCAA continued its destruction* of college athletics last week when it voted to allow a one-time transfer of college athletes in all sports from one college to another without forcing the athletes to sit out a year. The NCAA stated the new rule would "modernize its rules to prioritize a student-athlete's opportunities and choices." Colleges can no longer object to a transfer and the athletes will no longer have to receive a release from the athletes' original school. College basketball has made changes that have already run a couple of very successful coaches out of the profession, and now that college football has followed suit, look for more of the same. It will be hard to build a team when a player can leave anytime he wants just because he doesn't like a lack of playing time, or being chewed out by a coach, and play immediately at another school. It is past time for the 'Big 5' conferences to get together, make their own rules and leave the NCAA, before it is too late.



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Close season with a bang

Tigers sweep Kinston 13-3, 14-7

The Elba Tigers closed the season with an impressive 13-3, 14-7 doubleheader sweep past the Kinston Bulldogs, Friday at Elba.

Following are highlights of both wins:

FIRST GAME:

Elba 13 Kinston 3

The Elba Tigers pulled ahead early and never looked back Friday afternoon to post a big 13-3 six-inning win over the Kinston Bulldogs.

Elba combined two walks with singles by Peyton McCart, Whit Shehee and Connor Burrow to jump out to an early 3-0 first inning lead, and then added one run in the second to up its lead to 4-0 after John Martin Wilson singled with two outs and raced home on an rbi single by Peyton McCart.

Kinston took advantage of two walks and a hit batter to pull within 4-2 in the top of the fourth, but the Tigers had a quick answer for the Bulldogs rally as they plated three runs in their half of the inning to stretch the lead to 7-2.

Ty Sieving reached on a fielder's choice, John Martin Wilson singled and Carson Wise was hit by a pitch to load the bases in the fourth inning rally, while the key hit was a 3-run double off the bat of Iverson Lane that put the Tigers back in charge.

Elba picked up in the fifth where it had left off in the fourth as it added three more runs to stretch the lead to 10-2. The Tigers loaded the bases on a walk, hit batter and an error, while a walk to Ty Sieving forced in a run, and the Tigers added two unearned runs to blow the game open!

Kinston plated an unearned run in the top of the sixth, but the Tigers scored three runs of their own in the bottom of the frame, with the big hit being a 2-run double by Peyton McCart that ended the game due to the 10-run rule.

Peyton McCart had 3 hits and knocked in 5 runs to lead Elba at the plate, while John Martin Wilson added 2 hits, scored 4 runs and had 2 rbi's; Iverson Lane added 1 hit and 3 rbi's; and, Whit Shehee added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi. Connor Burrow was the winning pitcher as he tossed four innings and allowed one earned run on one hit and five walks.

Hunter Hughes, Cale Sumblin and David Free all had 1 hit to lead Kinston, while J.W. Mikel, Jeb Crosby and Konner Walker all scored 1 run.

SECOND GAME:

Elba 14 Kinston 7

The Elba Tigers jumped out to an early lead and turned back repeated Kinston rallies to outscore

the Bulldogs 14-7, to complete the doubleheader sweep.

Elba wasted little time taking command as the Tigers plated five runs in the bottom of the first inning to grab an early 5-0 lead. A single by John Martin Wilson sparked the early uprising, while one out walks to Carson Wise and Iverson Lane loaded the bases, and after a Kinston error allowed one runner to cross the plate, Connor Burrows followed with a two-run single and Collin Sauls added a two-run double to put the Tigers on top.

Kinston's Konner Walker ripped a two-run double and later scored on an rbi single by Owen Patterson in the second as the Bulldogs pulled within 5-4, but the Tigers answered with a two-run third thanks to an rbi triple by Paxton Wise and a sacrifice fly off the bat of Collin Sauls.

Elba's lead grew to 8-4 in the bottom of the fourth when Peyton McCart singled and came around to score, but the Bulldogs kept battling and pulled within 8-5 in the fifth when Cale Sumblin doubled and eventually crossed the plate.

The Tigers again answered the Kinston challenge as they scored four runs in the bottom of the fifth to extend their lead to 12-5. A hit batter, a walk and a single by John Martin Wilson enabled Elba to load the bases with one out, while two bases loaded walks and a costly Bulldog error helped the Tigers hang four runs on the scoreboard as they regained command.

Kinston took advantage of three walks to add a run in the sixth and pushed across an unearned run in the seventh, but Elba scored two runs of its own in the bottom of the sixth, sparked by a one out single by Collin Sauls, and the Tigers held on to post the 14-7 win.

John Martin Wilson had 3 hits and scored 2 runs to lead Elba at the plate, while Collin Sauls added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Connor Burrows added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Peyton McCart added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; and, Paxton Wise added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi. John Martin Wilson pitched five and two-thirds innings and allowed four earned runs on six hits and five walks, with nine strikeouts.

Cale Sumblin had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead the Bulldogs, while Konner Walker added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; and, Owen Patterson and Tripp Hawthorne both added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs add three wins to record

Photos and Stats submitted by
Cindy Smith & Samantha Smith

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs played four games last week, including two games in a tournament last Friday evening. The Lady 'Dawgs added three wins to their overall season record.

On Monday, April 12, the Lady Bulldogs traveled to Straughn. This was a 12-2 win for the Kinston team.

Two Lady 'Dawgs combined for a no-hitter from the mound in the 10-point victory.

Kinston was led by Macie Smith in batting as she drove in four runs in the game, going 3-for-4 at the plate. Smith's stats included a homerun in the third and a double in the fifth.

The fifth inning was a big inning for Kinston as the team scored seven of the 12 runs. Anna Beth Flowers, Abigail Smith, Sara Beth Long, Cadence Elmore,



Kinston's Sydney Danford played good defense for the Lady 'Dawgs from the catcher's spot Tuesday, April 13, in the 17-1 win over Florala.

Kelsi Cardwell and Faith Peters all drove in runs.

Kinston had a total of 13 hits for the game.

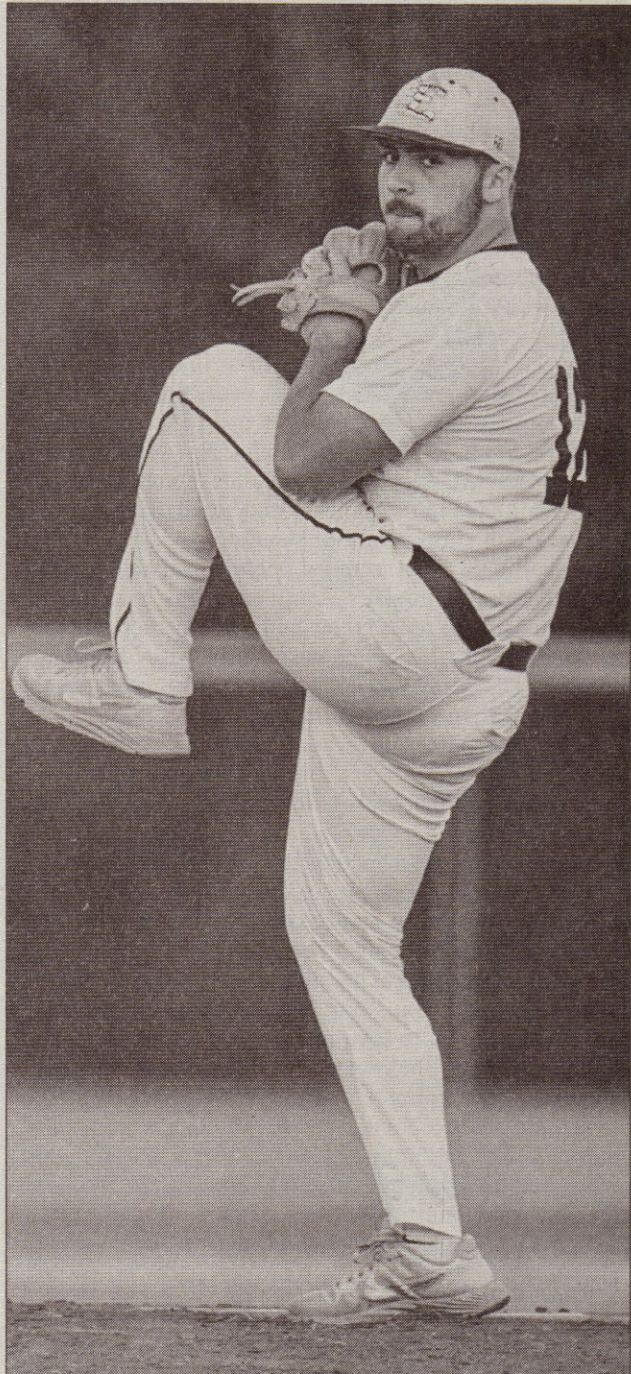
On Tuesday, April 13, the Kinston Lady Bulldogs made it a short game with a 17-1 win over Florala in three innings. The game ended after three due to the

15-run rule for high school softball.

The Lady Bulldogs traveled to Andalusia on Friday,

April 16, to participate in the Bringin' Heat Softball Tournament. This was a 9-team event.

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Elba Tiger Collin Sauls prepares to deliver a pitch in recent high school baseball action. Sauls closed the door on the Carroll Eagles last week to end the Tigers long victory drought.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

Elba cages Eagles 15-10

The Elba Tigers broke loose for eight runs in the top of the seventh inning to erase a 3-run deficit in a wild 15-10 road win over the Carroll Eagles, Thursday night in Ozark.

Elba came out determined to break out of a month long victory drought and did just that in the top of the first inning as it plated three runs to grab a quick 3-0 lead. Consecutive singles by John Martin Wilson, Peyton McCart and Carson Wise to open the inning sparked the Tiger fireworks, while Connor Burrows delivered a key two-out, two-run double.

The Tigers stranded two runners on base in the second after singles by Ty Sieving and Peyton McCart, and then watched as Carroll used two hits and a walk to cut the lead to 3-1 in the bottom of the frame.

Elba wasted little time answering the brief Eagle rally; however, as the Tigers used a walk, a single by Whit Shehee, a Carroll error and a two-out, two-run double by Ty Sieving to add three runs to their side of the scoreboard to push their lead to 6-1.

Elba carried the 6-1 lead into the bottom of the fourth, but Carroll staged a rally in its half of the inning and combined three walks with two hit batters and two base hits to plate four runs and pulled within 6-5 after four complete innings.

Whit Shehee opened the fifth inning with a walk, stole second, went to third on a wild pitch and scored on an Eagle error to up Elba's lead to 7-5, but Carroll rallied again in the bottom of the inning and used three walks, two errors and two hits to plate five runs to grab a 10-7 lead.

The Tigers were still down 10-5 heading into the top of the seventh, but regained their momentum and broke loose to score eight runs to go on top 15-10.

A leadoff double by Connor Burrow sparked the late Elba rally, while Paxton Wise and Collin Sauls followed with singles to drive in one run, and then a walk to Ty Sieving loaded the bases with no outs. John Martin Wilson came through with an rbi single and Payton McCart ripped a two-run double to put the Tigers back on top 11-10. Walks to Carson Wise and Iverson Lane forced in another run, and Whit Shehee followed with a single and Lane crossed the plate as Elba regained command to complete the rally and post the wild 15-10 win.

Peyton McCart had 4 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead Elba at the plate, while Whit Shehee added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; John Martin Wilson and Ty Sieving both added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Paxton Wise added 2 hits and scored 2 runs.

Collin Sauls was the winning pitcher, in relief, as he tossed two and two-thirds innings and allowed no earned runs on two hits, with five strikeouts. Peyton McCart and Connor Burrow also worked on the mound and combined to pitch four and two-thirds innings and allowed six earned runs on five hits and nine walks.

SPORTS NEWS

DIAMOND DUST

** Baseball ** Softball **

Statistics by GameChanger

BASEBALL:

Kinston blanked by Geneva County 7-0

The Kinston Bulldogs fell behind early and never recovered in a 7-0 loss to Geneva County. Tripp Hawthorne and Jeb Crosby both had 1 hit to lead the Bulldogs at the plate, while two pitchers combined to pitch six innings and allowed seven earned runs on 11 hits and seven walks.

Brantley Bulldogs ambush Rebels 15-5

The Brantley Bulldogs spotted Zion Chapel an early 3-0 lead and came battling back to rip the Rebels 15-5. Jack Kennedy had 3 hits, scored 3 runs and had 4 rbi's to lead the Bulldogs at the plate, while Tucker Kilcrease and Carson Jones both added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Dalton Daniels added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Jordan Parks added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Tucker Kilcrease pitched a complete game and allowed no earned runs on six hits, while striking out five. Nate Braisted had 3 hits and scored 3 runs to lead the Rebels, while Dayne Bannin and Mason Stuart both added 1 hit and 1 rbi.

Kinston Bulldogs clip New Brockton 3-2

The Kinston Bulldogs pushed across the go-ahead run in the top of the seventh inning and held on to edge New Brockton 3-2. J.W. Mikel had 1 hit and 2 rbi's to lead the Bulldogs at the plate, while Owen Patterson added 1 hit and scored 1 run, Tripp Hawthorne added 1 hit and scored 1 run, and Cade Jones added 1 hit. Cale Sumblin pitched six and two-thirds innings and allowed two earned runs on five hits, while Jeb Crosby got the last out of the game to get the save. Drew Cashin had 1 hit and 1 rbi to lead the Gamecocks at the plate, while Jackson Lawson added 1 hit. Two Gamecock pitchers combined to pitch seven innings and allowed no earned runs on four hits, with 10 strikeouts.

Brantley tamed by Andalusia 8-3

The Brantley Bulldogs saw a 3-3 fourth inning tie evaporate in an 8-3 loss to Andalusia. Dillon Smith had 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead the Bulldogs, while Luke Kilcrease and Carson Jones both added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Three Brantley pitchers allowed one earned run on eight hits and three walks.

New Brockton battered by Bobcats 13-3

The New Brockton Gamecocks fell behind 9-0 early and never recovered in a 13-3 area loss to the Opp Bobcats. Kaden Cupp had 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Gamecocks, while Payton Green added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Drew Cashin added a triple and 2 rbi's. Three pitchers combined to pitch four innings and allowed eight earned runs on four hits and 11 walks.

Gamecocks fall hard to Opp 11-1

The New Brockton Gamecocks saw an early 1-0 lead vanish in an 11-1 area loss to the Opp Bobcats. Riley Simmons had 2 hits and 1 rbi to lead the Gamecocks at the plate, while Colton McClenny and Jackson Lawson both added 1 hit, and Kaden Cupp scored 1 run. Two Gamecock pitchers combined to pitch seven innings and allowed seven earned runs on nine hits and four walks.

Zion Chapel outscored by Luverne 10-8

The Zion Chapel Rebels saw a late rally fall short in a 10-8 road loss to the Luverne Tigers. Brayden Watson, Bryce Watson and Stetson Adcock all had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead the Rebels at the plate, while Braden Norris added 2 hits and scored 1 run, and Nate Braisted added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's. Two Rebel pitcher combined to pitch six innings and allowed seven earned runs on seven hits and nine walks.

SOFTBALL:

Lady Bulldogs rally past Pike Road 7-6

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs overcame an early 5-0 deficit to claim an exciting 7-6 win over Pike Road. Campbell Hawthorne had 3 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Lady Bulldogs at the plate, while Ainsley Watts added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Elleigh Layton added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; Kayden Dunn added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Kaylee Navarre, Lauren Hudson and Sheonte Barginere all added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Lauren Hudson was the winning pitcher, in relief, as she tossed four and one-third innings and allowed no earned runs with five strikeouts.

New Brockton blanked by Eufaula 1-0

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks allowed only one run to 6A Eufaula, but it was the only run scored in a tight pitcher's duel as they dropped a 1-0 decision. Shelby Hobbs and Jordyn Thornton both had 2 hits to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while Bailey Blackmon, Kennedy Hussey and Mckenlie Jenkins all added 1 hit. Bailey Blackmon was the hard luck loser in the circle as she pitched six and two-thirds innings and allowed no earned runs on five hits.

Lady Gamecocks caged in Opp 8-0

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks managed only four hits in an 8-0 road loss to Opp. Kiersten Sunday, had 2 hits to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while Jordyn Thornton and Megan Eldridge both added 1 hit. Two Lady Gamecock pitchers combined to pitch six innings and allowed eight earned runs on 12 hits.

Brantley Lady Bulldogs drop Opp 2-1

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs scored the first run of the game and the last run of the game in an exciting 2-1 road win over Opp. Kayden Dunn had 2 hits to lead the Lady Bulldogs at the plate, while Elleigh Layton and Campbell Hawthorne both added 1 hit and scored 1 run; Manning Fox added 1 hit and 1 rbi; and, Sheonte Barginere added 1 hit. Kaylee Navarre pitched a complete game no hitter with 11 strikeouts.

Lady Bulldogs handle Headland 8-1

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs led all the way to defeat Headland 8-1. Kayden Dunn had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's to lead the Lady Bulldogs at the plate, while Kaylee Navarre added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; Campbell



ONE OF THOSE DAYS.... Elba Lady Tiger Mikenzy Hooks shows frustration in last week's 12-1 area loss to G.W. Long.

(Photo by Roberta Gideon)

Lady Tigers fall to G.W. Long 12-1

The Elba Lady Tigers hosted the G.W. Long Lady Rebels last Monday afternoon in a key area clash and had a hard time keeping the ball in the park as the Lady Rebels blasted five home runs and handed the Lady Tigers a 12-1 whipping.

Makenna Long belted a two-run homer in the top of the first and Emmaline Hughes added a two-run blast in the second, while Morgan Ferguson added a solo shot in the third, and the Lady Rebels added five runs on five hits in the fourth as their lead ballooned to 10-0.

Elba got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the fifth when Alyric Whitfield drew a one-out walk, went to third on a single by Emily Richardson and crossed the plate on an rbi single by Makinna Gray. Ally Whitehead hit a solo homer and Morgan Ferguson added her second round-tripper of the day in the seventh as G.W. Long put the finishing touches on the 12-1 win over the Lady Tigers.

Makinna Gray, Jayla Gray, Mikenzy Hooks and Emily Richardson all had 1 hit to lead the Lady Tigers at the plate.

SCHEDULES

BASEBALL:

Friday, April 23

Class 1A Playoffs
Choctaw County at Kinston (4:00 and 6:00)
Millry at Brantley (5:00 and 7:30)

Saturday, April 24**Class 1A Playoffs**

If needed, Choctaw County at Kinston (1:00)
If needed, Millry at Brantley (1:00)

SOFTBALL:

Thursday, April 22

Zion Chapel at Kinston
Wicksburg at Brantley

Friday, April 23

Brantley at Geneva
Elba Softball Tournament
(Hawkins-Williams Park)

4:00:

Samson vs. Pike County
Pleasant Home vs. Houston Academy
Red Level vs. Daleville
5:30:

Samson vs. Carroll

Houston Academy vs.

Excel

Red Level vs. Leroy

7:00:

Pike County vs. Carroll
Pleasant Home vs. Excel

Leroy vs. Daleville

Saturday, April 24**Elba Softball Tournament**

(Hawkins-Williams Park)

8:00 – Providence

Christian vs. Opp

9:30 – St. Paul's vs. Opp

11:00 – Providence

Christian vs. St. Paul's

12:30 – Elimination Games

2:00 – Elimination Games

3:30 – Elimination Games

5:00 – Semifinals

6:30 – Championship

Game

Monday, April 26

Zion Chapel at New

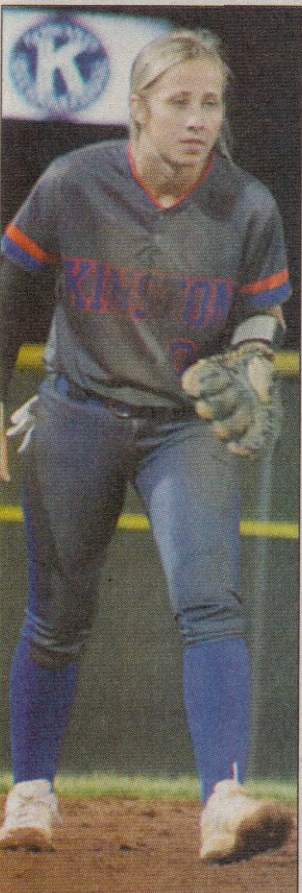
Brockton

Tuesday, April 27

Geneva at Elba

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'DAWGS



Sara Beth Long plays shortstop in the Friday, April 16, tournament game against Andalusia.

Pool play began on Friday afternoon. The Lady Bulldogs opened play against Red Level and won with a final 9-4 score.

Macie Smith was on the mound for Kinston. She surrendered only three runs off four hits over three innings. She struck out five batters and walked one.

Kinston scored six of its 9 runs in the second inning, led by Sara Beth Long, Kelsi Cardwell, Sydney Smith, and Anna Beth Flowers.

Friday night, Kinston met the Andalusia Lady Bulldogs, and found the runs hard to come by against this opponent.

Andalusia took the win with a 9-3 final. Kelsi Cardwell hit a homerun for Kinston in the fourth inning.

The elimination games for the Bringin' Heat Tourney were set for Saturday, April 17, however, rain and poor field conditions forced the tournament to be cancelled with no games played.



Brantley's Kaylee Navarre delivers a pitch during a recent win for the top-ranked Lady Bulldogs.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

Hawthorne added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; and, Mary Driggers added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's. Lauren Hudson was the winning pitcher as she tossed a complete game three-hitter with 12 strikeouts.

Brantley spans Ashford 13-0

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs pulled ahead early and pulled away late to spank Ashford 13-0. Kaylee Navarre had 3 hits, scored 3 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Elleigh Layton added 2 hits, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi; Lauren Hudson added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Campbell Hawthorne added 2 hits and 1 rbi; and, Mary Driggers added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 4 rbi's. Kaylee Navarre was the winning pitcher as she tossed six innings, allowed three hits and struck out twelve.

Lady Bulldogs clobber Carroll 13-0

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs pulled out the big sticks as they pounded three home runs in a 13-0 win over Carroll. Sheonte Barginere had 3 hits, including a triple and a home run, to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Kayden Dunn added a home run, scored 2 runs and had 4 rbi's; Mary Driggers added two hits, including a home run; and, Campbell Hawthorne and Ainsley Watts both added 2 hits. Kaylee Navarre and Lauren Hudson combined to pitch five innings and allowed two hits, with nine strikeouts.



Zion Chapel Rebel Stetson Adcock gets a big lead in recent high school baseball action.

(Photo by Heather Arnold Adcock)

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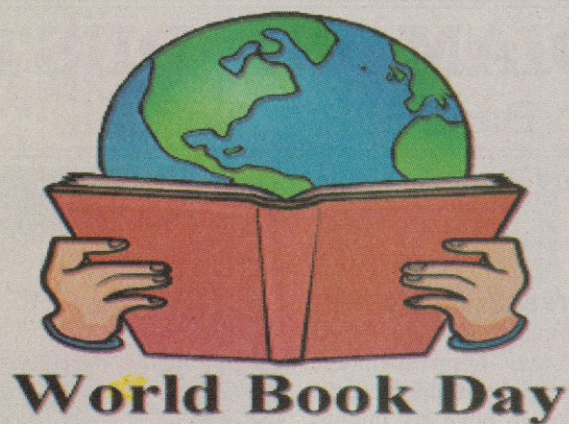
LIFESTYLES

Memorial birthday event for Mr. Hooks set for April 24th

The grandchildren of the late James William Hooks (April 22, 1904 - May 22, 1972) will gather Saturday, April 24, 2021, at 2496 Old Cutis Road, Elba, Ala., to memorialize the life of their grandfather. He will be remembered as the man who loved his wife, Mary Alice Hooks, and the root of the Hooks family.

For some of his grandkids, James William Hooks will be known as the greatest man ever, respected by blacks and whites. He was Mr. William or Mr. Hooks, nicknamed JW.

**LIFESTYLES
NEWS IS DUE
ON MONDAY!**



It's Happening at the Elba Public Library!

Through Friday, April 23, it's "New Library Card Days" at the Elba Public Library!

Each child who signs up for a library card will have his/her name placed in a drawing to win a prize basket filled with gift cards and other goodies.

Friday, April 23, is World Book Day at the library.

Each child who visits the library on Friday, April 23, will receive a FREE book! There's lots going on at the Elba Public Library!!

Lusk honored as Who's Who at Ole Miss

Mary Lacy Lusk, of Elba, Ala., was among the more than 200 University of Mississippi students to be honored among the 2020-21 class of Who's Who at the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss).

The honorees were recognized for their achievements on Friday, April 9, at The Pavilion at Ole Miss.

"I am extremely proud of this impressive group of students," said Brent Marsh, assistant vice chancellor for student affairs and dean of students. "As a university, we're only as strong as our students. Based on this incredible group of student leaders, we are very strong, indeed. I'm so pleased to recognize these students with the Who's Who honor."

Mary Lacy is a graduate of Elba High School. She is the daughter of Cliff and Buffy Lusk of Elba.

Miss Zion Chapel Pageants set for Saturday

The Miss Zion Chapel Pageants will be Saturday, April 24th. The theme is "It's My Time To Shine."

Future, Little, & Petite will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, afternoon, and Preteen, Junior, Teen, and Miss will be at 6 p.m. Saturday evening. The pageants will be held in the Zion Chapel High School Auditorium.

Admission is \$5, and all area reigning queens are invited to attend.

Upcoming
Extension
Service
Workshops:

The Coffee County Forestry Advisory Committee will host a Forestry Landowner Tour on Friday, April 23, at the National Security Recreation Property, located on County Road 404 in Elba, Ala.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., with the tour at 9 a.m. Lunch will be provided at 11 a.m., and the tour concludes at 12 noon.

For more information or to register, call the Coffee County Extension Office at (334) 894-5596.

The Enterprise Farmers Market will host a training Tuesday, April 27, for anyone wanting to sell their eggs at the market.

This workshop will begin at 10 a.m. at the Enterprise Farmers Market. Participants will learn about labeling requirements, food safety regulations, and more.

BAND—

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trumpet with group of musicians.

Also, Elba High School band director Shaun Hammonds performed Sunday afternoon as a part of the band in the percussion section. Because of his loyal support of the Southeast Alabama Community Band, he too was asked to conduct the band for a song.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the band has only an abbreviated season/schedule for 2021, but members said they look forward to hopefully being back into full-swing by next season. As always, the band plans to keep Elba on its list of performance cities.

Future Little Miss Contestants:

Paisley Rae Mitchell
Lainey Bess Owsley
Braelyn Noel Harrison
Brooklee Carroll Kilpatrick
Sarah Paisley Allen
Gabrielle Anne Moseley
Georgia Hudson Moseley

Little Miss Contestants:

Sydnee Saige Parks
Allison Grace Bunt
Kielee Marie Richards

Petite Miss Contestants:

Emilee Katherine Sasser
Cerenity Alleigh Stricklin
Raielyn Jane Haynes
Annabelle Rayne Faircloth
Sarah Paige Moseley
Sophie Jane Prescott

Pre-Teen Miss Contestants:

Annslea Rose Taylor
Harlie Irene Mai Rhodes

Junior Miss Contestants:

Addison McKenna Welch
Ashley Paige McKenzie

Teen Miss Contestants:

Hannah Elizabeth Finger
Allison Faith Adcock
Peyton Elizabeth Parrish

Miss Zion Chapel Contestants:

Olivia Grace Redwine Parker
Hannah Alexis Arnold
Aubrey Salena Weber
Chloe Jane Meadows



Elba Mayor Tom Maddox (blue shirt playing saxophone) and Elba High School Band Director Shaun Hammonds (blue sports coat holding symbols) each performed Sunday, April 18, at members of the Southeast Alabama Community Band for a concert held in Elba.



Elba Mayor Tom Maddox (center) was the recipient of a special award last Sunday afternoon, April 18, during the Southeast Alabama Community Band's concert in Elba. Maddox was presented a "Certificate of Appreciation" by Raymond Smith (right), conductor of the band. He also received a conductor's wand, which was presented to him by Enterprise Mayor Bill Cooper (left). The two mayors both are members of the band.



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After receiving a conductor's wand, Mayor Tom Maddox was asked to conduct the Southeast Alabama Community Band in its next tune performed for the audience. A former band director, Maddox looked right at home standing in the conductor's spot.

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